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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed December 28, 2004 in the above-identified patent application, kindly amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper and include an amended drawing sheet and an annotated sheet showing the changes.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 5 of this paper.